From: Terry, Lisa B.

**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2017 3:00 PM

Subject: Resources for Veterans and Military Families - June 12

Dear Veterans, Military Families and Supporters,

Please find a number of resources below to benefit veterans and military families. They are not endorsed by my office, just a compilation of programs and services that come across my desk. Please feel free to share and vet according to your needs. If you have any events, programs, job opportunities, etc. that would benefit this group, please forward it to me. Thank you. Lisa

# Howard County Veterans Monument Site Dedication:

http://www.baltimoresun.com/news/maryland/bs-md-ho-veterans-monument-0528-20170528-story.html. To donate, visit http://www.howardcountyveterans.org/

- Howard County Nonprofit Center Opens June 9 Several nonprofits open with more to join the community resources campus in the fall
- The American Legion Department of Virginia Hiring Fair WHEN

Thursday, **July 13, 2017 9:00 AM** - Thursday, July 13, 2017 2:00 PM Central Time

WHERE

Hilton Washington Dulles Airport 13869 Park Center Road, Herndon, Virginia 20171, USA

**EVENT DETAILS** 

View Event Summary

**RESPOND BY** 

Friday, July 14, 2017

• The Horizon Foundation and The Conversation Project will host an **advance care planning workshop** to help you start "the conversation" and learn how you can encourage others to do the same.

Wednesday, June 14, 2017, 6 PM - 8 PM

Bridgeway Community Church, Faith Auditorium 9189 Red Branch Road, Columbia, MD 21045

As an attendee, you will participate in guided discussions on the type of health care you would want should an emergency or critical care situation arise. The presenters will also teach you how to hold similar workshops in your own community groups and organizations.

All residents are encouraged to attend! Invite your loved ones or others you want to engage in these important decisions. Even if you have previously attended a Speak(easy) Howard event, this workshop will teach you how to lead your own sessions and help others begin their conversations.

This event is free and open to the public. Register <a href="here">here</a>

Military Spouse Employment Summit

Wednesday, June 14, 2017

9:00am to 12:30pm

U.S. Chamber of Commerce International Hall of Flags 1615 H Street NW Washington, DC 20062 United States

Hiring Our Heroes will host a game-changing event that will kick start the conversation around what it means to be a dual-income military family in the 21st century. The half-day Military Spouse Employment Summit will unveil the results of the 2017 Hiring Our Heroes Military Spouse Survey, identify best practices in talent management for recruiting and retaining military spouses, highlight standout military spouse professionals and entrepreneurs, and set the stage for a renewed emphasis on removing barriers to military spouse employment as a national security imperative.

Space is limited—please RSVP as soon as possible to HOHRSVP@USChamber.com

- Choice Career Fairs Sheraton Baltimore North Thursday, June 15<sup>th</sup>,11 AM – 2 PM 903 Dulaney Valley Road Towson, MD 21204 General/Professional
- <u>Tech Expo</u> Baltimore BWI Marriott
   <u>Thursday</u>, <u>June 15th 10 AM 3 PM</u>
   1743 West Nursery Road
   <u>Linthicum Heights</u>, MD 21090
   <u>Cleared Professionals</u>
- VA Resource Exhibit at Ft. Meade, June 15 10am-2pm

This cost-free event will take place at the Army and Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES) Main Exchange at Ft. Meade, MD., on Thursday, June 15, 2017 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

The VHA goal of this event is to inform the Service member and Veteran communities, to include family members, as well as others, about VA Health Care, Benefits, and Services for which they may be entitled, while either still on Active Duty, Reserve, Guard Status or when they become Veterans.

- Fort Meade's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala -
  - June 17 at 6:30 p.m., Club Meade, Fort Meade

If you don't attend any other anniversary event, this is the one you won't want to miss. This black tie gala will bring together service members of every branch of service along with all members of the community to celebrate Fort Meade's 100 years, From Saddles to Cyberspace; A Century of Innovation and Security. Tickets prices for the event are as follows: \$100 per ticket (General Admission), \$85 per ticket (DOD ID Card holders) and \$45 per ticket (Active Duty E-1 - E-4). Tickets are available online.

• Free cyber training for veterans in partnership with VetsinTech. June 19-22 in Reston, VA

Tickets to the opportunity can be secured here:

VetsinTech and our partner Palo Alto Networks will hold a FREE special 4-day class in Cybersecurity - specifically relating to Palo Alto Networks products. As the next-generation security company, Palo Alto Networks is leading a new era in cybersecurity by safely enabling all applications and preventing advanced threats from achieving their objectives for tens of thousands of organizations around the world. They are one of the fastest growing security companies in the market because of their deep expertise, commitment to innovation, and game-changing security platform focused on bringing an end to the era of breaches by uniquely integrating our Next-Generation Firewall, Advanced Endpoint Protection, and Threat Intelligence Cloud.

This class is open to all veterans who have experience in IT, Networking, or CCNA certifications - for more information you can see Palo Alto Networks course 201. Class will include three-day Essentials 1: Install, Configure & Manage course, followed by the ACE (Accredited Certification Engineer) exam, which is based on that course. That would be a four-day overall commitment, and vets attending would exit class with an ACE accreditation they can add to their resumes.

Other information required to attend will include your LinkedIn profile and a copy of your DD214 - copy of your DD214 should be mailed to <a href="mailto:gdiaz@vetsintech.co">gdiaz@vetsintech.co</a> with DD214 for ViT & Palo Alto Networks Cybersecurity class - May 2017 in subject line.

At the end of this 4-day class we will hold a happy hour (Thurs night) for attendees to meet hiring managers and recruiters from Palo Alto Networks and 2-3 other employers who are hiring in the cybersecurity space.

<a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/vetsintech-va-cybersecurity-training-by-palo-alto-networks-tickets-32884886581">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/vetsintech-va-cybersecurity-training-by-palo-alto-networks-tickets-32884886581</a>

## Veterans Benefits Workshop & Town Hall

The Baltimore Regional Office and National Capital Region Benefits Office Director, Mr. Antione Waller, is hosting a VBA focused Town Hall event.

Monday, June 26, 2017

5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Flier

Odenton Regional Public Library 1325 Annapolis Road Odenton, MD 21113

## Are you a Veteran in need of vocational rehabilitation assistance?

The District of Columbia Department of Disability Services has partnered with the Mayor's Office of Veterans Affairs to provide dedicated vocational rehabilitation assistance to our veteran community. This program and separate and apart from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs' vocational rehabilitation program. If you have been denied or are currently using the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs' program, you may still be eligible for District assistance. Come speak with one of our counselors!

#### Overview:

The Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) program provides vocational and rehabilitative services to individuals with disabilities to help them prepare for, secure, regain or retain employment. Persons with disabilities face some challenges in today's modern workplace. We believe that people with disabilities, given the right opportunities can work and be fully integrated into mainstream society and the work place. Vocational rehabilitation services can reduce or remove barriers to employment.

To be eligible for VR services, a person must have a physical or mental impairment that is a substantial impediment to employment; be able to benefit from VR services in terms of employment; and require VR services to prepare for, enter, engage in, or retain employment. Priority is given to those individuals who have the most significant disabilities.

#### Location:

Eligibility:

You can meet with a vocational rehabilitation counselor at the Mayor's Office of Veterans Affair office space located at 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 870 North. Time and Date:

9:00 am - 4:00 pm on Tuesday, June 27, 2017.

## Scheduling:

You can schedule an appointment by calling our office at 202-724-5454. You can also walk on Tuesday, June 27, 2017. Appointments will be seen before walk-ins and space is limited.

 TECHEXPO Cyber Security Hiring Event - Security Clearance and 2+ years of Cyber Security Experience are REQUIRED to attend

Thursday, June 29, 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

The Ritz-Carlton Tysons Corner

1700 Tysons Blvd., McLean, VA 22102

Register: <a href="https://www.techexpousa.com/jobfair.cfm?jobfairid=736">https://www.techexpousa.com/jobfair.cfm?jobfairid=736</a>

• Howard County Resource Fair – June 29, 5pm Owen Brown Interfaith Center

#### Red, White and Blue Celebration

June 30, 4 p.m., McGlachlin Parade Field, Fort Meade. The public is invited to join the service men and women of Fort George G. Meade for their annual Red, White and Blue Independence Day Celebration. Several thousand people are expected to turn out for this popular community event. Activities include a kiddie train, moon bounces, zip line rides and other inflatables. Guests are free to picnic or take advantage of many food and drink vendors. Please leave your pets at home.

#### National Night Out

**Aug. 1 at 6 p.m.,** McGlachlin Parade Field, Fort Meade Many communities gather for National Night Out, but Fort Meade's 54,000 residents and employees enjoy an event which has long been known as the best the Army has to offer and one FEMA recognized as the best practice among all emergency preparedness organizations. More than 5,000 people attend each year.

- Howard County Annual Fair August 5, 9am Veterans Admission FREE
- Howard County's BIKESHARE slated to begin around July 6, 2017

Howard County will launch the new BIKESHARE program next month. There will be seven Bikeshare stations around Columbia. One station will be located at the Oakland Mills Village Center next to the bus stop on Robert Oliver Place. Bikeshare stations will be located at Howard County General Hospital, Howard Community College, One Merriweather Building, Lakefront (2 locations), Oakland Mills Village Center, and Blandair Park.

The basic principal of Bikeshare is for users to rent a bike at any station and return a bike to any station. As with any program, there are details for the users, and even an "app" to get you going!

Please refer to this WEBSITE for complete details. We are excited to have a station located in our community for our residents and those that want to explore Oakland Mills and Blandair Park.

If, after reading the website, you have questions please, email.

American Foundation for Suicide Prevention Out of the Darkness Walk is on October 8 this year at Lake Elkhorn, we would love for more veterans organizations to participate either as walkers or in just spreading the word. The Walk is free to participate and for a lot of people, it ends up being a cathartic event because everyone there "gets it" and they can talk freely about their own struggles or the loss of people close to them. Our Walk sign up page is here: <a href="https://afsp.donordrive.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=donorDrive.event&eventlD=4463">https://afsp.donordrive.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=donorDrive.event&eventlD=4463</a>

Walk Date: 10/08/2017

Walk Location: Lake Elkhorn - Columbia, MD Check-in/Registration Time: 10/08/2017 at 11:00 am

Walk Begins: 1:00 pm Walk Ends: 3:00 pm

## Veteran Singers Wanted!

Strathmore is looking to recruit active duty military and Veterans to sing in a World Jazz Choir

Please contact Colin Brown if you are interested in participating.

Colin Brown, East County Choral Coordinator STRATHMORE EAST COUNTY INITIATIVE ecicommunity@strathmore.org

- Howard County Commission on Disability Issues seeks nominees for annual awards program
- Do you drink alcohol heavily? Looking to cut back or stop? Do you want to take control of your drinking?

A 14-week clinical trial is being conducted of an investigational medication for the treatment of heavy drinking. This study is open to men and women ages 18 and older and of African American ancestry who have experienced trauma in their

lives. Participation is confidential. You will be compensated for your time and effort. For more information, Call the Clinical Neurobehavioral Center at (667) 214-2111. **CLICK HERE** to print out a flyer.

- MDVA Newsletter, June 9
- <u>Blue Star Families SpouseForce</u> is a virtual training that prepares military spouses to take the Salesforce Administrator exam. Salesforce Administrators are oftentimes highly paid, virtual and in flexible positions that work well with our high paced lifestyle.
- https://www.vfw.org/actioncorpsweekly
- Fort Meade Financial Focus Newsletter, June 2017 Homeownership
- Fort Meade Soundoff Newspaper Fort Meade's Heritage Centennial events
- Military Support Organizations Defend CFPB as Financial Choice Act on U.S. House Floor Puts Service Members in "Financial Harm's Way," Threatens Nation's Military Preparedness

For Immediate Release Tuesday, June 6, 2017

- Veterans Retreat Operation: Tohidu retreats are held at Melwood's 108-acre
   Retreat and Recreation Center in Nanjemoy, Maryland. There, veterans use
  ropes courses, zip lines, rock wall, equine therapy and many other physically
  challenging activities to augment the educational sessions, social interactions,
  and spiritual reinforcement throughout the retreat week that helps them manage
  their own healing naturally. FREE (see flier and website)
- **Volunteers Needed!** The Howard County Loan Closet a local clearinghouse of new, used and donated medical equipment, seeks individuals to assist with daily operations. Training is provided. Flier
- Nonprofit Employment Opportunities:

## **Executive Director - Compass, Inc.**

Compass, Inc. seeks an Executive Director to lead the organization in its effort to support individuals to realize their dreams and live valued lives in their communities. This position requires an energetic, entrepreneurial, nimble, and passionate professional committed to creating great opportunities for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD) who concurrently experience

emotional/behavioral challenges. Read more. Posted 6-5-17

#### **Executive Director - Mediation & Conflict Resolution Center, Inc.**

The MCRC, Inc. Executive Director position will be a part-time position (30 hours) with the goal of obtaining funding for a full time position. The dynamic leader who will be hired will have mediation experience, preferably in a community mediation context, extensive experience in administration and management, and a track record of successful revenue generation, grant-writing and budget management. Read more.

Posted 6-5-17

# **Social Media/Outreach Consultant - The Howard County Mental Health Authority**

The person we seek would guide our administrative staff in developing a Social Media/Outreach Plan for the Howard County Mental Health Authority. We want to build a Social Media/Outreach Plan around our recently completed FY 18-22 Strategic Plan which highlights improved public awareness/outreach/education related to local behavioral health services. Read more.

Posted 6-1-17

## **Development Officer - Blossoms of Hope**

The Board of Directors for Blossoms of Hope is seeking a part-time Development Officer to help advance its mission to enhance our quality of life through beautification projects and support for cancer and other causes. Read more. Posted 5-4-17

# **Other Employment Opps:**

To receive weekly job openings, email:

jimditt@careerfairs-eastcoast.com –
gayla.jenkins-bailey@maryland.gov – Disabled Veteran Outreach Program, Job
Service Specialist II, Division of Workforce Development & Adult Learning,
Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing & Regulation

#### The Prince Georges County Police Department is hiring:

\$51,000 Starting Salary, Great Benefits, Take Home Care Program, 25 year retirement, Paid Holidays, Uniforms and Equipment Supplied by the Department

#### Qualifications:

U.S. Citizen, High School Graduation, 21 years of age, possesses a valid driver license

For more information go to PGPOLICE.org or contact a recruiter at 301.780.8175 or via email at Police Recruiting@co.pg.md.us

 Joerns: Now Hiring! Full-Time Field Service Technician Positions Available Now – See Flier

The Dept. of Community Resources and Services Office of Veterans and Military Families (DCRS/OVMF) does not endorse the organizations sponsoring these events, the views they express or the products/services they offer. The information serves as a DCRS/OVMF community outreach effort. If you wish to unsubscribe, please email <a href="mailto:lbterry@howardcountymd.gov">lbterry@howardcountymd.gov</a>

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http://www.howardcountymd.gov/veterans

The Department of Community Resources and Services provides vital human services through its offices of ADA Coordination, Aging and Independence, Children and Families, Community Partnerships,

Consumer Protection, Local Children's Board, and Veterans and Military Families.

The Howard County Office of Veterans and Military Families (OVMF) provides guidance, information and access to the more than 20,000 veterans who live in Howard County, as well as their dependents and survivors, and military families. The OVMF also promotes activities for veterans of all ages and collaborates with other service providers to address more complex issues.

Howard County Commission on Veterans and Military Families https://www.howardcountymd.gov/vetcomm

#### **Department of Community Resources and Services Facebook**

https://www.facebook.com/HoCoCommunity/

## **Commission on Veterans and Military Families Facebook**

https://www.facebook.com/HocoMilitary/

## **Reserved Veteran Parking Initiative**

Honor veterans living and working in Howard County by installing a Reserved Veteran Parking sign at your place of business or in honor of a loved one.

http://www.howardchamber.com/chamber\_information/veteran\_parking\_sign\_initiative.aspx